

# Chairel language

**Chairel** is an extinct Luish language of Manipur, India. It is preserved only in a word list from 1859.<sup>[2]</sup> Chairel speakers have since shifted to Meithei.

## Classification

From the words for "sun" (*sal*) and "fire" (*phal*), it is clear that it is a Sal (Brahmaputran) language.<sup>[3]</sup>

James Matisoff (2013)<sup>[4]</sup> demonstrated that Chairel belongs to the Luish sub-branch of Sal.

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chandolpokpi	
Native to	India
Region	Manipur
Era	attested 1859
Language family	<div>Sino-Tibetan<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Sal<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Jingpho–Luish<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Luish<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>chandolpokpi</b></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul></div>
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	<i>None</i> (mis)
Linguist List	qq2 ( <a href="http://multitree.org/codes/qq2">http://multitree.org/codes/qq2</a> )
Glottolog	chai1254 ( <a href="http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/chai1254">http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/chai1254</a> ) <sup>[1]</sup>

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